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Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th day of
April, 1905, at 12.30 o'clock in the after-
noon, when the following resolution will be
proposed.

RESOLUTION:
That the Capital of the Company be
increased from \$100,000 to \$250,000 by the
creation of 150,000 new shares of \$25 each,
that 4,000 of the said new Shares be offered
to the parties who on the 29th day of April,
1905, shall be Members, in proportion to
the existing Shares held by them; that the
full amount of each of the said 4,000 new
Shares taken up be paid in the Company
before the 30th day of June, 1905, or
(with interest thereon at the rate of 5%
per cent per annum from the 30th
June, 1905, to the 15th August, 1905,
or for such lesser period as the Directors
shall from time to time or at any time deter-
mine) on or before the 15th August, 1905;
and that the remaining 6,000 new Shares be
offered to such parties, at such time or times
and upon such terms and conditions as the
Directors shall think fit and determine.
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By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.

Hongkong, April 14, 1905. 790

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of Members of the above
Club will be held in the CITY HALL, on
SATURDAY, the 29th April, 1905, at 3 p.m.
A Notice will be sent to Members
embodying the Special Resolutions to be
submitted at this Meeting.
By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, April 14, 1905. 783

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NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY GENERAL
MEETING of Members will be held
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29th April, 1905, at 3.50 p.m.
By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
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Hongkong, April 14, 1905. 780

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of Twenty per
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By Order of the Board,
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Hongkong, April 13, 1905. 783

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12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
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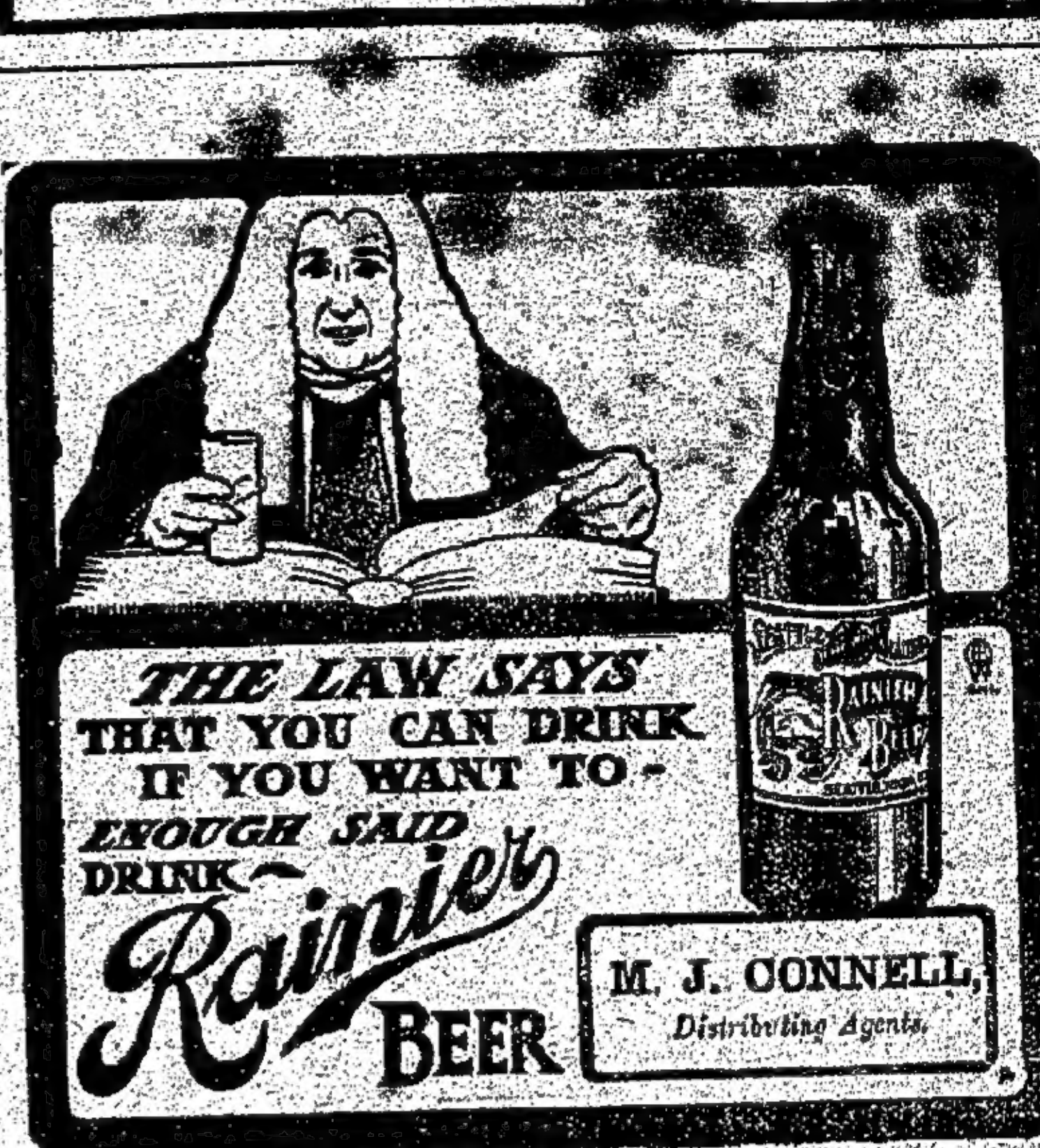
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last, the then First Lord stated that he
hoped to deal with the question of the dis-
tribution of battleships to the China Station in
his memorandum on the Navy Estimates for
the coming financial year. It was
understood that it was the intention of the
Board of Admiralty to considerably reduce
the squadron in Far Eastern waters, which,
as our readers are aware, has been an-
nounced in consequence of the events that
have transpired in the Far East during the
last decade. Up to 1897, prior to the
creation of Russia's Far Eastern Fleet,
there was only one British battleship on
station, but the number has gradually
been increased to five, in addition to two
unarmed cruisers. Although three months
have elapsed since Lord Selborne indicated
a change of policy, no steps have been taken
to reduce the force, and one of the battle-
ships has just been recommended for a
further term of service. Lord Selborne
did not make the anticipated explanation in
his memorandum recently issued. In view
of the present uncertainty in the
naval situation in the Far East, it is
naïve to believe that no altera-
tion will be made until peace has been
finally concluded, and all cause of com-
plications removed. A service con-
templated indeed suggests that a private
understanding exists to maintain the fleet
at its present strength until the terms of
peace are arrived at, and any reasonable
chance of any aftermath has passed. Under
the new distribution scheme we may
point out the Commander-in-Chief in China
becomes, in effect, the Admiral of the
whole of the Pacific by the grouping of the
China, Australia and East Indies stations.

'Police', asked the little man, as
he looked up at the limb of the law, 'which
is the other side of the road?'

'Here, here, pull yourself together',
said P. O. 101, 'over there—that's the
other side of the road, of course.'

'Knew I was right', chuckled the querist.
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JAPAN'S DEBT TO ENGLAND.

Amidst the world's applause that justly greets Japan on the marvellous accomplishment of less than four decades—crowned by the events that are now transpiring—we are perhaps prone to overlook some of the chief underlying causes, says the *L. and O. Express*. These were well pointed out by Mr. J. H. Longford in the paper read before the Japan Society on March 8. Many Japanese, he said, and amongst them some of the chief personages of the Meiji era, have been prone to underrate the great services rendered to Japan by Sir Harry Parkes. It may not require many years before the true value will be fully seen of what his unselfish way did to benefit them. He may have been a somewhat severe mentor, but history will show that a schoolmaster of that stamp was best for the Japan of that time. Japan, or rather some Japanese, would have rid themselves of him, but destiny fortunately decreed that over the most crucial period he should represent for their welfare, the most dominant European nation in Asia. Those whose memories carry them back to the eventful days when he was the strong man in Japan will agree with Mr. Longford that it was the example to England, constantly enforced upon them by the master-mind of Sir Harry Parkes, that produced the ambition to become a naval and commercial power. With the exception of the army, which was the creation of French and German teachers, there was scarcely one branch of modern development in Japan in which Englishmen had not played a great part. They created the navy; they were the founders of the railway, telegraph, and light-house, of the press, and the mint. They first built docks and waterworks, and opened mines, and when their direct teaching was done they left over department in a state of running efficiency that must have contributed, under an honest and clean administration, not a small sum to the efficiency now seen in all departments of the war. Germany gave Japan her educational system, but in both there was large English co-operation. It was the custom of travelling journalists and literary globe-trotters to give to Japan's own sons all the credit for everything they had achieved, and to ignore, through pure ignorance, the great share that Britain has had in the creation of Japan as she now is.

In their command of the language Englishmen stand far above all other nationalities, and have only been approached by one rival, a venerable American missionary. Germany has produced two great writers on Japan, Siebold and Rein, Holland one, Klemperer, but these are the only ones of the very foremost rank that Continental Europe has produced, and none of the three can bear comparison with Sadow, Aston, Milford, Chamberlain, and Brinkley, all of whom possess a practical and scientific knowledge of the language which rivals that of the most erudite of the Japanese themselves, whose works, in their several spheres, are now the standard authorities to which we owe nearly all the light that has been thrown on Japan. Very recently high tributes have been paid by the Japanese to the memories of Perry, who signed the first Treaty, and of Harris, who signed the United States Consular, Alcock and Parkes, on the other hand, are remembered if at all, the one only in connection with the suffering of Kagoshima and Shimoda; the other—the greatest benefactor to Japan, just as he was the greatest foreigner who has ever been in Japan—only as a hard and tyrannical schoolmaster. The names of Willis, the founder of medicine, and of Newton, who introduced vaccination and lock hospitals, both apostles of humanity in its highest form, of Morel, Brunton, Gilbert, and Palmer, the railway, light-house, telegraph, and water works engineers of Kinder, the founder of the press and banking systems, are all almost utterly unknown to Japanese of the present generation. I have only mentioned the names of these who are no more. Several of them are buried in Japan, but in not one instance have even a stone been erected upon their last resting place by the people whom they served so well.

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Hongkong, April 19, 1905. 774

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from THE REGISTRAR, SUPREME COURT, to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 26th April, 1905, at Noon, at the SAM YICK COAL GODOWNS, Hong-kong-kei, about 1,500 Tons

KALPING COAL (Half Lump and half Small).
A Steam Launch will leave Blake Pier at 11.30 a.m. to convey intending purchasers.

TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, April 19, 1905. 819

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR GEO. P. LAMBERT has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 26th day of April, 1905, at 3 p.m., at his Sales Rooms.
The following VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situated at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, viz.:

ALL THAT piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria aforesaid registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 1065. Area 384 square feet. Term 75 years. Annual Crown Rent \$11 0/0 together with the mesage thereon known as No. 8, Po Hing Fong.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to
JOHNSON STORES & MASTER,
Solicitors for the Mortgagees,
or to
GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, April 19, 1905. 782

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION.
By Order of the
SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY
Situated at Peak View, LYTTLETON ROAD, Victoria,
on

MONDAY,

the 1st MAY, 1905, at 3 p.m., at Messrs HUGHES & HOUGH'S SALES ROOMS, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

All that piece of ground situated lying and being at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and registered in the Office as the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 1216 containing by admeasurement 75291 square feet together, with the Mesage thereon known as No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6, Park View.

For further particulars, apply to
Messrs DENNIS & BOWLEY,
Vendor's Solicitors,
or to
Messrs HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, April 19, 1905. 761

THE OWL, GRILL & OYSTER ROOM.

COOKING done by a European Cook. ALL KINDS OF LIQUOR served with Meals. Special Rates to Monthly Boarders.
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Hongkong, March 14, 1905. 532

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J. R. NEWBOLD, Proprietor.
Hongkong, April 1, 1905. 595

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TUNG ON,
CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER.
No. 25, D'AGUIAR STREET.
CONTRACTOR TO H.B.M.'s Government, &c., &c. Communications in person address to Mr. TAN SENG, also, every kind of Building Materials for Sale.
Hongkong, March 23, 1905. 534

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NAVY CONTRACTORS, GENERAL STOREKEEPERS AND BAKERS.
Wholesale and Retail in Provisions and Tinned Goods, &c., &c.
K. SHUI TAI, General Manager.
Hongkong, March 10, 1905. 511

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CONTRACTORS TO H.B.M.'s Government, Admiralty and War Department, &c., &c. We keep always on hand the largest supply of Building Materials at Cheapest Prices. We do all Competitions.
Hongkong, March 10, 1905. 512

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IRON AND BRASS FOUNDERS, BOILER MAKERS AND COPPER SMITHS.
No. 25, PRAYA EAST, WANCHAI, HONGKONG.
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Hongkong, February 18, 1905. 355

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CARPENTER, Painter, Rigger, Sail and Flag Maker, Brass, Copper and Blacksmith.
GENERAL CONTRACTOR.
PRAYA EAST, WANCHAI, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, February 13, 1905. 307

THE PO YICK COY.
CONTRACTORS & HOUSEBUILDERS.
No. 259, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, WANCHAI.
CONTRACTORS TO H.B.M.'s War Department and Admiralty. We keep always in Stock a Large Supply of Timber at Reasonable Prices.
Hongkong, February 16, 1905. 337

A WING & CO.
CONTRACTORS & HOUSEBUILDERS.
No. 75, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
ALL Communications, please address to Mr. ANDREW TSANG WING.
Hongkong, February 18, 1905. 356

QUONG YICK,
CONTRACTOR AND HOUSEBUILDER.
No. 37, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
CONTRACTOR TO H.B.M.'s Government. We have always a large stock of BUILDING MATERIALS at Moderate Prices.
Hongkong, March 20, 1905. 593

HANG CHEONG,
ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS, IRON AND BRASS FOUNDERS, BOILER MAKERS AND COPPER SMITHS.
No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, February 16, 1905. 336

Lam Woo & Co.,
(Formerly LEE WOO & Co.)
No. 12, LEE YUEN STREET (WEST).
CONTRACTORS & HOUSEBUILDERS.
CONTRACTORS TO H.B.M.'s Government and War Department. We have always in Stock a large Supply of Building Materials. All communications please address to Mr. Lam Woo.
Hongkong, March 3, 1905. 460

SING YUEN,
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No. 33, D'AGUIAR STREET.
CONTRACTOR TO THE P.W.D. from 1901 to 1902, and Admiralty, &c., &c. We keep a large stock of Building Materials, also Timber at very Low Prices.
Hongkong, March 22, 1905. 613

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Hongkong, February 13, 1905. 306

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SHIPS CARPENTER, BOAT AND LAUNCH BUILDER, ENGINEERS AND BOILER MAKERS.
ALL KINDS OF TIMBER FOR SALE.
55, PRAYA EAST, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, March 20, 1905. 531

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SHIPS CARPENTER, BOAT BUILDER, BLACK SMITH & GUNNER.
All kinds of Timber for Sale.
No. 50, PRAYA WANCHAI, HONGKONG.
C. CHUNG HEE, Manager.
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His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Gun.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at.
Albion	despatch-boat	1700	12	3000	Comdr. Richard M. Hattford	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	12,550	42	12,500	Captain Sydney R. Fremantle	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	1000	2	1800	Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	11,000	14	13,000	Capt. Charles Windham, O.V.O.	On way London
Albatross	despatch-boat	11,000	14	13,000	Capt. R. N. Ommanney	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	4590	10	—	Captain L. G. Taffall	Shanghai
Albatross	despatch-boat	4590	10	7000	Capt. H. H. Torlesse	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	710	6	1300	Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	710	6	1300	Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	10,000	14	13,000	Captain Fagan	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	390	6	6700	Lieut. Comdr. Stevenson	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	12,550	42	12,500	Captain Hon. Walter G. Stopford	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	275	6	4000	Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	275	6	4000	Lieut. Comdr. Richards	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	6900	24	2470	Capt. R. B. B. Chastleton	on route Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Shortland	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	1640	10	800	Lieut. Comdr. P. M. Riddore	Vinhaiwei
Albatross	despatch-boat	3600	17	9000	Captain W. B. Faulkner	Singapore
Albatross	despatch-boat	320	6	3200	Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	180	2	—	La. Comdr. E. V. R. Dagmore	Yangtze
Albatross	despatch-boat	12,550	42	12,500	Lt. Comdr. F. B. Noble	West River
Albatross	despatch-boat	350	6	4300	Captain T. G. Greet	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	1015	6	1400	Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	835	6	600	Comdr. C. B. Moore	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	85	2	240	La. Com. R. E. Vaughan	West River
Albatross	despatch-boat	85	2	240	Reserve	Yangtze
Albatross	despatch-boat	85	2	240	La. Com. H. T. Atay	Shanghai
Albatross	despatch-boat	2500	2	9000	Capt. C. E. H. Moore	Yangtze
Albatross	despatch-boat	85	2	240	La. Com. Devotion	Singapore
Albatross	despatch-boat	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Wm. I. Grant	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	250	6	6500	Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	4600	6	—	Commodore Dioken	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	180	2	800	Lt. Comdr. E. Lecretan	Yangtze
Albatross	despatch-boat	3400	8	9000	Capt. J. A. C. Wilkinson	Singapore
Albatross	despatch-boat	12,550	42	12,500	Reserve	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	555	6	6300	Capt. Leslie Stuart, O.M.G.	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	820	—	450	Lieut. Comdr. A. Gregory	Port Swettenham
Albatross	despatch-boat	360	6	5900	Comdr. R. W. Almonie	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	150	2	500	Lieut. Com. C. E. L. Thomas	Hongkong
Albatross	despatch-boat	150	2	500	Lieut. Com. C. W. Wrightson	Upper Yangtze
Albatross	despatch-boat	150	2	500	Lieut. Com. Jno. F. Knox	Upper Yangtze

* Flag of Admiral Sir Gerard H. Noel, Commander-in-Chief.

† Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Howe, C.B., C.M.G.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name	Flag and Description	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	
Aspern	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	2437	20	7300	Capt. Friedrich Grinseberg	Singapore
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	20	8000	Captain Birtl Franz	Swatow
Achéron	French armoured gunboat	1798	10	1700	Comdr. Lefebvre	Salon
Alouette	French gunboat	300	7	400	Lieut. A. Varney	Salon
Argus	French gunboat	123	—	600	Lieut. Cresspin	Salon
Aspie	French gunboat	475	8	450	Lieut. Joannet	Salon
Avachale	French gunboat	140	5	150	—	Haiphong
Bennali	French gunboat	580	6	400	—	Salon
Bugard	French cruiser	3740	20	8000	Capt. Lefebvre	Salon
Casse-tête	French gunboat	140	5	150	—	Haiphong
Châteaurenault	French cruiser	8018	18	17,000	Captain V. Poldione	Salon
Comete	French cruiser	635	4	438	Commander Lonel	Haiphong
Deidide	French gunboat	680	10	900	Commander L'Eaeh	Salon
Djass	French cruiser	4000	20	8000	—	Salon
Euto	French gunboat	350	7	908	Lieut. Jephons	Haiphong
Froude	French destroyer	9376	20	20,300	—	Shanghai
Gueydon	French cruiser	307	7	300	Lieut. Comdr. Roussant	Haiphong
Henri Riviere	French gunboat	1250	6	2300	Commander Le Gollou	Shanghai
Javeline	French gunboat	9700	12	19,600	Captain Cros	Haiphong
Kersaint	French gunboat	300	7	300	Lieut. de Veau Prat	Haiphong
L'Entealm	French torpedo-boat	4015	27	8500	Capt. Housat	Yokohama
Macquet	French gunboat	350	7	300	Comdr. Benne	Haiphong
Oly	French gunboat	9427	5	6071	Lieut. de Worth	Salon
Pascal	French cruiser	1798	10	1700	Capt. Vincent	Salon
Pistole	French torpedo-boat	9858	—	20,000	Captain Gubertean	Shanghai
Redoutable	French cruiser	629	2	900	Lieut. Holgue	Yokohama
Sey	French gunboat	6180	21	4500	Captain Blorde	Along Bay
Surprise	French gunboat	123	7	600	Lieut. Carol	Salon
Taking	French gunboat	1807	15	3900	Comdr. Huss	Manila
Vauban	French gunboat	11,000	38	14,000	Captain Frowe	Singapore
Vigilante	French gunboat	1776	15	3890	Comdr. von Stodt	Singapore
	German cruiser	2380	34	10,000	Capt. Weber	Singapore
	German cruiser	6500	37	10,000	Capt. Baron Schimmelmarm	Singapore
	German cruiser	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Baron von M. Hülseman	Nanking
	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Kloebe	Anoy
	German gunboat	850	10	1344	Comdr. Krensch	Hongkong
	German gunboat	1009	8	875	Comdr. von Grumbkow	Manila
	German gunboat	1840	15	38	Comdr. Verste	Shanghai
	German cruiser	2650	24	8000	Captain Volt	Shanghai
	German cruiser	900	10	1300	Comdr. Deitling	Salon
	German gunboat	170	5	1300	Comdr. Giebbler	Salon
	German gunboat	—	3	500	Lieut. Scharf	Shanghai
	Italian cruiser	2300	10	7471	Captain Bore's Rion	—
	Italian cruiser	3600	—	—	Captain Frenbiero	Shanghai
	Italian cruiser	2495	29	7000	Capt. Pesetto	Shanghai
	Portuguese cruiser	1980	14	4090	Captain d'Antas Ribeiro	Macao
	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Coutinho	Hongkong
	Portuguese cruiser	3215	20	6000	Capt. Manuel Vasso de Oarvalho	—
	Russian gunboat	810	6	230	Comdr. Galtner	Viadivostok
	Russian cruiser	2600	5	4700	Comdr. Gramschichtoff	Port Arthur
	Russian cruiser	6000	27	24,000	Capt. Reizenschteff	Shanghai
	Russian cruiser	7800	10	18,600	—	Port Arthur
	Russian gunboat	1680	8	1150	Comdr. Erjeskovitch	—
	Russian gunboat	6640	12	19,400	—	—
	Russian cruiser	8731	5	8900	—	Salon
	Russian cruiser	1458	8	1700	Capt. Nasrowsky	Port Arthur
	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comdr. Yonvick	Port Arthur
	Russian gunboat	1490	5	2000	Comdr. Zagarsky	—
	Russian cruiser	12,354	44	14,900	Captain Jessen	Viadivostok
	Russian gunboat	1930	6	1000	Comdr. Shinnoff	—
	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Commander Crowa	Shanghai
	Russian gunboat	3000	6	17,000	—	Shanghai
	Russian gunboat	1490	6	3000	Comdr. Yasiloff	Port Arthur
	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,600	Captain Koroff	—
	Russian battleship	10,980	16	10,600	Captain Jakovlev	—
	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,600	Capt. Zaitseff	Danagun
	Russian battleship	10,980	16	10,600	Captain Guev	Port Arthur
	Russian cruiser	1284	10	1766	Comdr. Liven	Port Arthur
	Russian cruiser	12,902	18	16,000	—	Port Arthur
	Russian battleship	12,000	68	17,000	Captain Sopolennipoff	Viadivostok
	Russian protected cruiser	10,953	26	13,200	Capt. Matusevich	—
	Russian protected cruiser	10,980	16	10,600	Captain Sebestrennikoff	Port Arthur
	Russian battleship	900	2	1125	Capt. Shinnoff	Port Arthur
	Russian gunboat	3000	9	3300	Comdr. Zagarsky-Klase	Port Arthur
	Russian gunboat	1230	15	1184	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
	Russian cruiser	5739	23	7500	Capt. Dyer	Oavite
	U. S. cruiser	1000	12	1227	Capt. Kohler	Shanghai
	U. S. gunboat	430	7	890	Lieut. Woodward	Manila
	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	4609	—	—	Capt. Sargant	Manila
	U. S. cruiser	430	7	800	Lieut. Irwin	Manila
	U. S. gunboat	2-13	10	6000	Lieut. Diamant	Manila
	U. S. gunboat	420	7	8000	Lieut. E. P. Jessop	Manila
	U. S. cruiser	8813	19	7500	Comdr. Hngo Osterhaus	Oheoo
	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Garmel	Manila
	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Capt. Burwell	Manila
	U. S. gunboat	340	10	6000	En. Comdr. J. Hood	Manila
	U. S. gunboat	3	8	1968	Comdr. P. E. Searcy	Manila
	U. S. gunboat	3992	6	3000	Captain Mihan	Shanghai
	U. S. monitor	4084	4	2244	Comdr. J. R. Mihan	Oavite
	U. S. monitor	3437	201	7900	Commander G. E. Harris	Manila
	U. S. cruiser	10,338	45	15,111	Capt. Burwell	Manila
	U. S. cruiser	321	3	250	Ensign J. E. Bass	Oavite
	U. S. gunboat	301	3	250	Capt. Beneshoff	Oavite
	U. S. cruiser	4000	14	—	Capt. J. R. Collins	Manila
	U. S. cruiser	3813	18	7500	Comdr. Marshall	Shanghai
	U. S. cruiser	4098	27	3913	Captain Vary	Manila
	U. S. gunboat	1000	13	1115	Commander Marshall	Shanghai
	U. S. gunboat	340	8	500	Lieut. H. A. Wiley	Shanghai
	U. S. gunboat	1230	8	1284	Commander A. W. Dodd	Manila
	U. S. gunboat	12,000	60	12,900	Captain Clavet	Manila

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Goods per *Indra* not cleared on this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Zeus* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, April 19.—
11 a.m.—Auction of 1000 Casks 'Pravil' Cement at Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s Godown No. 8, Kowloon.
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 3, Kruisford Terrace, Kowloon.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel.
Goods per *Dunbar* unclaimed after this date at Neon will be subject to rent and landing charges.
Goods per *Irish* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, April 20.—
11 a.m.—Auction of Kaiting Coal, at Sam Neen—Auction of Godowns, Mong-kok-tai.
3 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Leasehold Property, at Mr. Geo. P. Lamart's Sales Rooms.
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 1905.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The *Standard* has rediscussed the 'Yellow Peril' covered the 'Yellow Peril.' A report has been made by the Governor-General of French Indo-China showing that the reorganisation of the Chinese Army under Japanese direction is going on apace, and that in the course of five years China will have a well armed and disciplined force of half a million men each ready at the word of command to plunge his bayonet into the bowels of his distracted country.

If such an army could be raised and maintained, we should be inclined to believe it would be a distinct advantage to peaceable Europe. It could not be done without a sound financial system, and the rectification of the Chinese finances could only mean an increase in the influence of Sir Robert Hart's staff; and Sir Robert Hart himself is a civilising power. Great Britain has at least no views of political aggrandisement in China, and it is all in favour of British interests that the Chinese Empire should become strong and respected. Such a transformation will take long to bring about. Chinese officials see in the advance of Western methods a crushing of Oriental ways—and squeeze is the stuff they live on. A properly organised system of Government would do away with wholesale corruption, and whilst the Chinese official thrives upon that he will do his best to prevent its unimpairment by anything like honest order.

The division which took place in the House of Commons on March 22 was a farce that would have been ludicrous if the lesson that it taught were not so grave a one. Parliamentary Government is a game, and one whose rules are so elastic that such scenes are possible. Mr. Ainsworth moved against the imposition of a general duty on all manufactured goods, and the proposal brought forth the declaration from Mr. Balfour that the Government would henceforth take no part in purely academic motions on fiscal policy brought forward by private politicians.

The remark evoked all manner of replies—facetious and otherwise, and at length the division came showing the following remarkable figures:

Members	For	Against	Absent
378	171	207	33
1 Speaker	—	—	—

The resolution simply took Mr. Chamberlain's words at Glasgow and interpolated a 'not' so as to form a condemnation of any scheme to tax manufactured imports. And Unionists retorted by walking out and leaving the Free Traders to make the reputation unanimous. Mr. Balfour is personally sick of the whole fiscal question, and between harassing foes and exasperated friends, resolves that no more notice is to be taken officially of the business.

Tariff reformers and Free traders alike are thirsting for a dissolution, but though friends may fail and foes unite the Government, depleted as it is, intends to carry on the King's Government for some months yet. If the lion's skin falls they will try that of the ostrich. A wit once said, 'Maidie may be as mild as milk, but make wives of them and they set their back up against their marriage certificates and defy you.' So Ministers have set their backs up against the Septennial Act, and though all at home are eager for a dissolution with a view to getting the general election over in order to get a little rest, they will not budge.

There will be no issue of the CHINA MAIL tomorrow owing to the day being Good Friday. The paper will be published on Saturday as usual, and on Monday as usual.

Some reader with a ready pen and a sense of humour has sent us a sketch illustrating the 'retreat of General Kuropatkin from Mukden.' The sketch consists of a finger board bearing the inscription: 'This way home,' and Kuropatkin disappearing into space, followed by what is supposed to be a Japanese. All we can see is the point of a revolver and a horse's nose. We must thank the unknown artist for his promise to furnish the remainder of the sketch before the conclusion of the war.

A story is told of the late Chief Justice Cockburn of England. He was once counsel for the plaintiff in a certain case, and a Mr B—was for the defendant, Cockburn called a witness and proceeded to examine him.

'I understand,' he said, 'that you called on the plaintiff, Mr Smith. Is that so?'

'Yes,' replied the man.

'What did he say?' demanded Cockburn.

Mr B—promptly rose and objected. The conversation could not be admitted as evidence; but Cockburn persisted, and Mr B—appealed to the Judges, who thereupon retired to consider the point. They were absent for nearly half an hour. When they returned they announced that Mr Cockburn might put his question.

'Well, what did he say?' asked counsel.

'Please, sir, he wasn't at home,' replied the witness, without moving a muscle.

Apologies of the present wave of revolution, an old negro preacher had gathered together a considerable concourse of the brethren to hear him, and he preached eloquently of the flight of the Israelites out of Egypt, and explained the crossing of the Red Sea by saying:

'Yes, my brethren, when dey come to dis great big roarin' sea de Lord was wid dem, and de waters dey all freeze up, and de people all walked ober to de oder side.'

Here he was interrupted by a young negro whose learning was just that quantity that is dangerous.

'But, Brudder Silas,' he said, 'how could dat be when geography says der never was no frost at de equator?'

'Ah, my frin', I was just waitin' for some ignorant brudder to interpose dat remark, and de answer is dat in de days I was 'ludin' to ders was no geography an' no equator.'

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Leave of absence to India on private affairs has been granted to Lieut. F. H. Lovell, Royal Garrison. Artillery, from 24th April to 30th September 1905. Leave of absence to the neighbouring countries on private affairs has been granted to Lieut. A. Dymock, Army Ordnance Department, from 26th April to 30th June, and to Major C. S. Sparkes, R.A.M.C., from April 26th to July 25th.

Sir Charles P. Layard, Chief Justice of Ceylon, is about to retire, and it is expected that the Hon. Mr. A. G. Lancelotti, Attorney General, will succeed him.

The Russian Prisoners in Japan. According to returns made by the authorities, on the 7th instant the Russian prisoners now interned at various places in Japan numbered 58,759. A considerable number have yet to come forward from the field.

Cantata at St. Peter's Church. At St. Peter's Church to-morrow the Cantata 'The Crucifixion,' by St. J. Stainer, will be produced. The Soloists are Mr. A. E. Paine, Mr. R. E. Piercy, and the Rev. D. Powell Richards, R.N. An offertory will be taken for the New Organ Fund. Evening Prayer will be said at 7.30, and the Cantata will commence at 8 o'clock.

Band at King Edward Hotel. By kind permission of Lt. Col. Radcliffe and Officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the above Hotel, during dinner, on Friday, the 21st April (weather permitting):—

March..... 'The Washington Post' Souza Palla..... 'The Handy Man'..... 'Coco Salsedon'..... 'Flowers'..... Leslie Stuart Song..... 'The Holy City'

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THE KING AT MOROCCO.

VISIT TO BE PROLONGED.

London, April 19.
King Edward VII, who, together with Queen Alexandra, is at Tangiers, has decided to prolong his stay in the Algerian sea-port.

STRIKE IN FRANCE.

RIOTS AT LIMOGES.

Officers and Soldiers Wounded.

London, April 19.
Riots, due to strikes, have taken place at Limoges, France.

The strikers armed themselves and made threatening demonstrations, whereupon the military were called out.

In a conflict which ensued in the streets seven officers and sixty-three soldiers were wounded.

[Limoges is a manufacturing and commercial city in Haute-Vienne, France, and has a population of over 64,000.—E.D., C.M.]

SERGUIS' ASSASSIN.

HIS INGENIOUS FLEE.

'A Prisoner of Civil War.'

London, April 19.
Kobieff, the man who assassinated the Grand Duke Sergius, has been condemned to death at Moscow.

He declared that he was a prisoner of Civil War, therefore was not a criminal.

HOME POLITICS.

ALIENS RESTRICTION BILL.

Introduced into the House.

London, April 19.

The Rt. Hon. Mr. A. Akers-Douglas, Member of Parliament for St. Augustine, Kent, has introduced the Aliens Immigration Restriction Bill into the House of Commons.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

RUSSIAN POLAND.

London, April 18.

The Governor-General of Poland has been summoned to a conference, with a view to the establishment of a system of local Government in the rural districts of Poland, similar to the Russian Zemstvos.

It is announced that the Government is considering the question of introducing the Polish language in official transactions.

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

Japan's Army.

Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo cabled on April 10 that Japan is meeting the Russian plan of military reorganization in Manchuria by extensive preparations for doubling or tripling the present units. It is estimated that by the autumn the Japanese organization will exceed a million men, the actual fighting force in the field being roughly 700,000. The Japanese are confident of their ability to take and hold Harbin simultaneously with operations against the Russians to the eastward.

PERJURY IN COURT.

Defendant Sent to Goal.

In the Summary Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, this morning, before His Honour Mr. T. Sercombe Smith, Paines Judge, Cheung Moon Chai sued Tso Fuk Tim for \$35, being money deposited for the due performance of a lease.

The defendant stated that his name was Tso Ping Fuk, and denied having received the money in dispute from the plaintiff.

In support of his case defendant called three witnesses, two of whom averred that his name was Tso Fuk Tim. On hearing that the Paines Judge remarked that it was clear defendant was lying, and asked him had he any reason why he should not be sent to goal.

Defendant said that he would like an adjournment to get legal advice, and upon His Honour repeating the question he said he saw no reason why he should be sent to goal.

The Paines Judge viewed the matter in a different light and sentenced him to four days' hard labour, at the same time giving judgment for the plaintiff with costs.

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THE BALTIC FLEET.

FRENCH NEUTRALITY.

Japanese Comments.

London, April 18.

Japanese comments on the stay of the Baltic fleet at Camranh are most severe.

The newspaper *Osaka Shimbun* writes with deliberately insulting references of the Baltic fleet; the *Jiji Shimbun* states that the Russians are simply using Camranh as a base, and that Japan must ask for the co-operation of Great Britain under the terms of the alliance.

The *Times* demands proofs that France has violated neutrality; declares that the Balthics at Madagascar were never within the three mile limit; and there is nothing to show that Admiral Rozhdestvensky is less careful in Indo-China.

NEUTRALITY REGULATIONS.

The Exportation of Coal Stopped.

A Government Gazette Extraordinary has been issued, containing the following:—It is hereby notified that the terms of the Proclamation made by His Excellency the Governor on the 17th November, 1904, under the Military Stores (Prohibition of Exportation) Ordinance, 1892, will henceforward be strictly enforced with regard to coal, except with regard to such bunker coal as shall be supplied to any vessel with the consent of the Harbour Master.

A REPORT DENIED.

The *Straits Times* publishes the following:—Read in connection with the Reuter telegram published saying that a portion of the Baltic fleet (presumably Admiral Rozhdestvensky with most of the battle ships) is now at Muntok, in the Island of Banca, the following cable which reaches us from Batavia is interesting.

BATAVIA, Wednesday, 12.55 p.m.—There is good authority for saying that Reuter's report of the presence of a portion of the Baltic fleet at Muntok is wrong.

COALING OFF THE NATUNAS.

Russian Cruiser 'Oleg' Trains her Guns on the 'Sutlej.'

The British armoured first-class twin-screw cruiser 'Sutlej,' Captain Wm. L. Grant, on arrival at Singapore from Hongkong reported having sighted the Baltic Fleet north of the Natunas. It was seen that the Russian vessels were steaming slowly, at about five knots an hour, and were coaling from the accompanying tugs.

The Russian vessels were lying in a north-westerly direction and their formation is described as 'disorderly.'

When about two miles off, the 'Sutlej' saluted the Russian Admiral with fifteen guns. The Balthics did not reply. The Russian cruiser 'Oleg' immediately left the fleet and steamed up to the 'Sutlej.' It was seen that the guns on the Russian cruiser were trained on the British warship, which they evidently thought might be Japanese. It was seen from the British cruiser that the 'tampions' (or wooden plugs to keep the bores clean) were still in half the Russian guns.

This would give the impression that the 'Oleg' was not ready for action, although she bore down in a warlike manner. The 'Oleg' examined the 'Sutlej' closely and, apparently being satisfied with her inspection, returned to the fleet. The Russian then returned the salute. The 'Sutlej' continued on her voyage to Singapore. No signals were exchanged. The officers on board the 'Sutlej' counted a total of forty-three or forty-four Russian vessels. They counted seven battleships, eight cruisers and about seven destroyers. The rest of the fleet were colliers. There were three big German liners which were not classed as warships.

The 'Iphigenia' also passed the Russian fleet.

THE 'OREL' AT SAIGON.

A telegram to the *Courrier de Haiphong* states that whilst the hospital ship 'Orel' was at Saigon large quantities of mineral water were put on board, and several cargo boats loaded with commodities were then in port ready to put to sea.

The 'Orel' was to have taken a shipment of bullocks, but the Commander would not take them, saying he would come back shortly for them.

Whilst in port, a number of the crew of the hospital ship were ashore and two were left behind, the ship going away without them.

The authorities at Saigon are taking precautions against any untoward action on the part of the Russians by keeping torpedo boats patrolling out near Cape St. James. They also had the military cut while the 'Orel' was in port.

STILL AT CAMRANH BAY.

The 'Tanglin's' Observations.

The only fresh news of the Baltic Fleet to-day came to hand by the steamer 'Tanglin' from Saigon. She left the latter port on Sunday last and arrived here this morning. A lookout was kept for the Baltic Fleet while passing along the French coast and coming past Camranh Bay on Monday the 17th some Russian man-of-war were made out to be at anchor there, but owing to the thick weather prevailing and the distance the steamer was compelled to stand out only eleven ships could be counted and their exact description could not be made out. Those on board of the 'Tanglin' however, felt certain that the vessels were a portion of the Russian fleet. At an inlet near Cape Yarsla another man-of-war was sighted. She asked the 'Tanglin' the nature of her cargo, and wished her a pleasant voyage.

A POSSIBLE JAPANESE BASE.

The American Minister at Tokio has telegraphed to Washington that the port of Kelung (the northernmost port in Formosa) has been closed to foreign ships. This is believed to indicate that Admiral Togo will use Kelung as his base.

SPORTING.

Football.

The following team will meet the Royal West Kent F.C. in an association match on the Hongkong Club's ground on Saturday. Goal, F. Kew; backs, Leckie and Wicket; halves, E. R. Horton, E. Humphreys and G. Macdonald; forwards, Beyer, Holmes, J. Dixon, Forbes and C. Humphreys.

Ride Shooting.

The King's Park rifle range will be available for members of the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve Association on Saturday, April 22 (9.30 yards), Monday, April 24 (500 yards), and Saturday, April 29 (500 yards). Competition for the April trophies are being continued.

In the event of hot weather the firing point will be protected with a sunshade and rainwater has been erected alongside the firing points.

Lawn Tennis.

The only results posted in connection with the Lawn Tennis tournaments now being played on the Cricket Ground are the following:—

SINGLES HANDED—B. CLARK. W. E. Craig (over 30) defeated P. H. Holyoak (scratch) 6-4, 3-6, 6-3. L. D'Almeida Castro (over 30) defeated S. M. Thorne (over 30) 5-2, 6-0.

Billiards.

The final heat of the Amateur Championship was commenced recently at Leicester-square; the game being 2000 up level. At the start Higginbottom, who had had the advantage of playing upon the table the previous day, did by far the better, and gained a lead of over 200 points; but in the last three-quarters of an hour Good played very finely, and by a very consistent exhibition drew level, eventually reaching his points first with an advantage of 54. His best breaks were 50, 32, 103, and 81. Higginbottom's highest being 51, 50, 37, 50, 39, 41, and 56. Interval scores good. Good 502; Higginbottom, 448.

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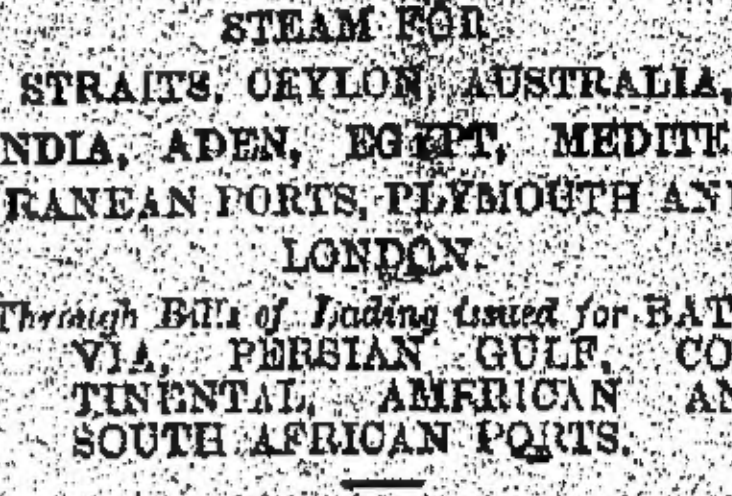
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